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SUBJECT:IREX GRANTEE SELDEN BIGGS
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1. MATTHEWS OF IREX WILL BE IN EAST BERLIN FEBRUARY 26 FOR DISCUSSIONS ON POSSIBLE AGREEMENT WITH GDR. HE PLANS TO FLY TO PRAGUE FROM BERLIN MARCH 2 OR 3 TO CONVEY IREX VIEW TO BIGGS THAT HE EITHER STICK TO ORIGINAL RESEARCH TOPIC OR RETURN IMMEDIATELY TO US.

2. BEFORE MATTHEWS APPLIES FOR CZECHOSLOVAK VISA HE NEEDS TO KNOW WHETHER BIGGS WILL BE IN PRAGUE THROUGH MARCH 3. IF EMBASSY CONCURS, WE WOULD APPRECIATE REPORT SOONEST ON BIGGS WHEREABOUTS. IF HE HAS ALREADY LEFT PRAGUE FOR WESTERN EUROPE, ADVISE WHERE HE CAN BE REACHED BY MATTHEWS.
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